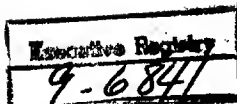


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August 30, 1957

Dear Turner:

Per your request this note will serve informally to confirm my sincere interest in working out a high level briefing by Central Intelligence Agency for the members of our next Mid-Career Course on Foreign Affairs, and to pinpoint my views of the direction which such a briefing might advantageously take, together with a few pertinent administrative details.

I suggest for the consideration of appropriate members of your agency and yourself a two-day session, consisting of 3 - 4 lectures followed by panel discussions (the format of the JCS briefing we enjoyed last week). I believe that the following topics would be of particular interest to us:

1) Comparative Analysis of Intelligence Organization.

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- a) Organization of Central Intelligence Agency - in terms of its basic job, and to include an analysis of its principle strengths and weaknesses, its principle organizational problems both domestic and foreign, and, in general terms, its operational techniques.

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b) An Evaluative Comparison of U.S. with Soviet and

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25X1A The Contribution of Other U.S. Agencies in the Intelligence Field - to include CIA's estimate of the roles of State, Defense, and other Department and Agency representatives, both in the U.S. and abroad, in developing the intelligence we need. An analysis of current inter-agency communications and weaknesses therein would be pertinent.

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3) A Global Survey of U.S. Intelligence Objectives - by area and/or major country.

From the administrative point of view I should like to propose December 6th and 7th for the dates of the presentation, and to suggest that if convenient we bring the class to CIA Headquarters for the briefing. Our facilities in [redacted] do not include an adequately secure conference room for a briefing of this kind, and, furthermore, since we are mobile, our coming to your Headquarters may, I hope, make it possible for higher level people to take part in the sessions on your side.

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By way of background information the class will be composed of approximately 20 FSO's of Classes 3 and 4, as well as one or two representatives each from the Departments of Defense and Agriculture, USIA, NSA, ICA, and your own agency. All are cleared for top secret briefings. Average age of this group is 40-45, and all have had 10-15 years of Government service here or abroad. They tend to be mature in their outlook and to take this course, of which I enclose a sample outline, very seriously. We give the course four times a year.

Sincerely,



Edward F. Rivinus  
Course Chairman - Mid-Career  
School of Foreign Affairs  
Foreign Service Institute

P.S. It is understood that if your people can go along with this project in principle the formal proposal will be made by us through the Office of the Undersecretary.